



rime Minister Mudar Badran and Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim (3rd from left) Wednesday receive the Soviet delegation led by Mikhail Sytenko (3rd from right) Head of he Soviet Foreign Ministry's Middle Eastern Department. (JNA photo).

# sha Badran meets Soviet envoy discuss Mideast situation

AMMAN (Agencies). — Soviet envoy Mikhail Wednesday conferred with premier Sytenko Mudar Badran on the Middle East and pros-" pects for a Geneva peace conference.

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Mr. Sytenko, head of the Soviet Foreign Ministry's Middle Eastern Department, Is on a fact-finding tour of the region which has al-ready taken him to Egypt and Syria. He plans to go to Lebanon next.

In the talks, Mr. Badran stated Jordan's po-station on a just and durable peace in the Middle East, namely Israeli withdrawal from all Arah -territories occupied in 1967, ensuring the legi-timate rights of the Palestinian people as laid down in United Nations resolutions and provislon of the necessary guarantees to all parties concerned to ensure peace in the region.

Premier Badran expressed Jordan's readiness to participate at Geneva as a confrontation state and to exert every positive effort to make the conference a success.

He said participation of the Palestine Libe-ration Organisation at the conference is essential and will effectively contribute towards the achievement of a comprehensive settlement.

Mr. Sytenko hriefed the prime minister on the fundamentals of Soviet policy and the conditions needed to achieve success at the Geneva

meeting. The discussions were held in an atmosphere of mutual understanding and the viewpoints of the two sides were similar. It was stressed.

The meeting was also attended by Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim and the Soviet ambassador in Amman.

# clamps tight controls on Palestinians Syrian troops return to Nabatiyeh

following Israeli bombardment BEIRUT, Feb. 16 (AFP). Stricter controls on all Pales-

tinians in Lebanon have been proposed by the four-member Arab Truce Supervisory Committee which has been conside-ring a fresh interpreation of the 1969 Lebanese-Palestinian Cairo agreement, well-informed sources said bere today.

The committee, which met in a special session here today under the chairmanship of Le-banese President Elias Sarkis. formally initialled its report which amounted, sources said, to a re-writing of the original agreement.

The new interpretation of the agreement, as proposed by the quadripartite committee, defined very strict controls on the presence, movement and activities of Palestinian refugees and militiamen in Lebanon, the sources said.

The commander of the Arah peace-keeping force, Col. Ahmad Haj has been given the responsibility of implementing the committee's proposals. During the meeting, Col. Haj

read a report to the committee on the latest incidents which occurred in the area of the Palestinian refugee camps in sou-thern Beirut. Reliable sources said that Col. Haj bad since reached an agreement with the Palestinian resistance movements on beavy

weapons still in their hands in these refugee camps. The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) had reported-ly accepted the responsibility of surrendering these heavy arms to the Arab peace-keeping

force, the sources said. Meanwhile, it was reported from Sidon, in southern Lebanon, today that the Syrian-dominated peace-keeping force

was back in position at Nabatiyeh, the town from which it withdrew only last Sunday. The withdrawal followed pro-

tests from Israel about the closeness of the Syrian troops to Its border with Lebanon,

However, reliable sources in Sidon said that the Lehanese troops who had replaced the Syrians were pulled out again last night after Israeli artillery had bombarded the town since yesterday morning. The Israeli bombardment which ended this morning had struck other villages in the Nabatiyeh region, the report from Sidon said.

Makarios "ready to step down" if Cyprus problem is settled

# Lebanese truce team "No change in Israel's position," Rabin says after meeting Vance

TEL AVIV, Feb. 16 (AFP). — A peace conference to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict could convene "in the latter half of this year", Israeli Prime Mini-ster Yitzbak Rabin said after talks here today with U.S. Sec-retary of State Cyrus Vance.

But Mr. Rabin stated that "there is no change in Israel's policy of refusing to negotlate with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), and Fore-ign Minister Yigal Allon said he told Mr. Vance that Israel cannot for security reasons give back all the Arab territory it occupied in 1967.

Mr. Vance began a six-nation tour of the Middle East in Israel yesterday and conferred for total of three and a half hours with Mr. Rabin today.

It was announced that Mr. Rabin would visit the United States early next month and Mr. Vance told journalists that President Jimmy Carter would invite all heads of state from the region to visit the U.S.

"I think that the Americans want to bring about a Geneva conference in the second half of 1977 and we agree on this. I hope that the Geneva confe-rence will convene this year," Mr. Rahin said.

Neither Mr. Rabin nor Mr. Vance gave any Indication as to bow the two countries hoped to overcome the major stum-hling block in reconvening the Geneva conference -- participa-tion of the Palestine Liberation Organisatioo.

Mr. Vance was more clrcu-mspect in his hrief statement ino it ac n the me "thorough, helpful and useful." "We have discussed the mili-

Foreign Minister Allon told journalists "I have made it clear to Mr. Vance ... that Israel will not return to the pre-1967 borders because they were not

defensible." Mr. Vance, he said, showed great interest in the notion of "defensible borders" and asked if Israel would accept guarantees attached to a peace agre-ement instead, "Guarantees have no efficiency," he was told

Another issue raised by Mr. Vance was Israel's oil exploration activities in the gulf of Suez, Israeli sources said. They said Mr. Vance asked

the Israelis to permit Amoco, a division of the U.S. Standard Questioned about differences on these issues, Mr. Rabin told newsmen "These are all perio-heral issues." He went on : Oil Company of Indiana, to ca-rry out drilling on the basis of leases granted by Egypt in 1964 and 1967. He said Israel did not have any legal right to carry out explorations there,

diplomatic efforts " "2, what is the U.S. support for Israel In military supplies ? "3, what is the U.S. financial The legal adviser of the Israel Foreign Ministry, Mr. Meir Ro-sen, replied that he had "ansupport ?.'

other document which comes to the opposite conclusion," the sources said. Mr. Vance, a New York lawyer before becoming secre-tary of state three weeks ago, lowered his glasses and looked around his room at the Foreign Ministry officials. "Did you ever ministration.

Syria and Romania today dec-

lared that any delay in taking

tangible measures to achieve

Middle East peace would have

consequences impossible to con-

trol, affecting world peace and

This was contained in a joint

communique on the visit to Ro-

mania of President Hafez Ass-

ad, who returned home today

after talks in Bucharest with

It said the two presidents

had a profound exchange of vi-

ews on the situation in the Mi-

ddle East. They considered that

there were now suitable coodi-tions for the political and dip-

lomatic action needed to ach-

leve a just and lasting peace

The two countries stressed

the need to resume the Gene-

va peace conference with all

President Nicolae Ceausescu.

security.

in the region.

ceived assurances from Mr. Vance that the Carter administra-tion planned to request an add-itional \$285 million in aid to Israel on top of the \$1.5 bill-ion requested by the Ford ad-

see two lawyers agree with each other ?" he was quoted as

Israeli sources said Mr. Van-

ce had also informed the gove-

rnment here that President Ca-

rter planned to delay his de-cision on whether to sell the

controversial concussion bombs

to Israel until Mr. Vance retu-

Officials here were told that

any decision at this time would

undermine Mr. Vance's jour

which includes visits to five

Arab countries, the sources said. They added that officials here believed the U.S. would

"I, what are the goals of the

On the last point, Mr. Rabin

confirmed to newsmen he re-

rned to Washington.

decide against the sale.

The major issues are :

asking.

Syria, Romania agree tangible steps towards M.L. peace imperative Joint communique says PLO

#### tour with talks in Lebagoo

preign Minister Louis de Gulngaud arrived here tonight at e start of a Middle East tour med at establishing what fance can do to belp settle the iddle East conflict.

French officials said Beirut M. de Guiringaud's tour to derline the close and friendly iks hetween the two coun-···· es Lebanon became indepen-...... nt from French rule in 1943. .... In a radio mterview on the

-'- ud said that 1977 offered bet-" circumstances than ever for the voile Middle East.

However, President Hafez sad of Syria, where M. de diringaud is due next Friday, d in the Romanian capital of - charest last night that Israel is trying to provoke a new litary confrontation with its ab neighbours.

He told a banquet given by manian President Nicolae ausescu that auch a confronion might become imminent Israel failed to withdraw im occupied Arab territories. d there was no settlement of Palestinian problem. M. de Guiringaud was welco-

d at Beirut International Airrt - - reopened last November er a prolonged closure during 19-month civil war -- by Lebanese opposite number, 11 ad Botros.

- PI TOWN, Feb. 16 (AFP). -

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ierican governments will dis-

whole of Southern Africa,

eign Minister Hilgard Muller

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ter is scheduled to visit French Mr. Butros, was later giving Hinner for his French guest at cultural institutions and have hr

EIRUT, Feb. 16 (R). - French the Foreign Ministry in the eastern part of Belrut. In his interview last night,

**Guiringaud begins Mideast** 

with the French commercial radio Monte Carlo, M. de Guiringaud said his talks with Arab leaders would concentrate on sounding out their opinions on prospects for a peaceful settle-ment of the Middle East con-

flict. He added his tour had no economic aspects, since there were already economy agreements hetween France and the four countries be is to visit. But observers here said that the possibility of French belp in rebuilding the war-shattered Lebanese economy was likely to figure in M. de Guiringauds

port left in total ruin.

give in the field of education.

M. de Guiringaud's program-me tomorrow provides for al-

most two hours of talks with

talks with Lebanese Education Minister Asaad Rizk before leaving for Damascus. There, he is due to meet Fo-

reign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam and President Assad. M. de Guiringaud is scheduled to leave Damascus next Sunday for Amman and talks there with His Majesty King Hussein.

The French minister is due in Cairo, the last stop of his tour, next Monday. His programme in Egypt provides for talks with President Anwar Sadat, Prime Minister Mamdouh Salem, Fo-reign Minister Ismail Fahmi and Mr. Mahmoud Riad, Secretary General of the Arab League.

talks with Mr. Butros, President **GISCARD INVITES** Elias Sarkis and Prime Minister Selim Al Hoss. **RABIN TO PARIS** The civil war in Lebanon bas caused losses estimated at up to \$5 billion, with the commer-

PARIS, Feb. 16 (R). — Presi-dent Valery Giscard d'Estaing has invited Israel's Prime Micial district and the adjoining nister Yitzhak Rabin to come to Two teams of French experts France on an official visit, offihad talks here last month -cials said here today. one to discuss prospects of French aid in rebuilding the

Foreign Minister Louis de shattered port, the other to stu-dy what assistance France can Guiringaud, on a tour of four Arab capitals, conveyed the in-vitation on behalf of the French president to Israeli Foreign Minister Yigal Allon during a meeting in Brussels last week, the officials said.

Mr. Butros followed by a meet-ing with the prime minister and talks with President Sarkis. The visit is expected to take On Friday, the French minisplace either before or immediately after general elections due in Israel in May.

ATHENS, Feb. 16 (Agencies). -Archblshop Makarios is ready to resign as President of Cy-prus as soon as the dispute with the Turkish-Cypriots is settled, he sald in an interview published here today.

He told the Greek newspaper Eleftheotypia that he is willing to resign "immediately after the signing of an agreement guaranteeing peaceful coexistence of the Greek and Turkisb communities on Cyprus in the framework of a state that is truly unified and independent."

Archbishop Makarios said he informed Turkish-Cypriot lead-er Rauf Denktash of this when they conferred four days ago. "I know very well that the

very idea of seeing me continue presiding over a Cypriot federal republic makes the hair stand up on the head of many figures in world politics," Archbishop, Makarios was quoted as saying.

"People are convinced, in Europe and the United States as well as in Turkey, that my intransigeance makes me the main obstacle to the solving of the Cyprus affair .... "

West German Chancellor Hel-mut Schmidt "admitted to me that he would prefer seeing me tend solely to my ecclesiastical duties," the president said.

He said he did not exclude the possibility of a Cyprus agr-eement being reached by early

BELGRADE, Feb. 16 (AFP). -

Yasser Arafat, leader of the

next year. Negotiations between the two ethnic communities will resume in Vienna at the end of March.

Meanwhile, U.S. President Jimmy Carter's special envoy to Greece, Turkey and Cyprus, Clark Clifford, arrived in Vienna today for talks tomorrow with visiting U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim and with Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kresky.

Before leaving for Athens on the first leg of bis fact-finding tour, Mr. Clifford will tomorrow review the Cyprus situation with Mr. Waldheim currently on an official visit to Austria. While emphasising that the Cyprus problem did not jeopardise North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) interests, the U.S. envoy confir-med that his talks in Athens and Ankara would also deal with issues concerning the At-

lantic Alliance. On an optimitic note, Turkish Foreign Minister Ihsan Sabri Caglayaogil described last Saturday's meeting of leaders of Greek and Turkisb-Cypriot communities as a "constructive and encouraging starting point for negotiating an intercommunal settlement.

"The process which has just been started must be followed up until the final solution," Mr. Caglayangil told a press conference at the end of a three-day official visit to Switzerland.

tary situation and a number of related problems as well as economic problems and other subjects of common interest bet-ween our two countries," Mr. Vance said.

"I think that I now have a much clearer understanding of the position of Israel with respect to a number of issues relating to the search for peace. I now look forward to moving on to other countries to try and obtain a similar thorough and searching review in those capitals," he said.

Informed sources bere said an Israeli leader, who was not identified, told Mr. Vance that the PLO must change its charter to recognise the biblical "covenant of Abraham" before Israel will agree to talks. The "covenant of Abraham,"

is a reference to a passage in the book of Genesis, which makes Palestine "an everlasting possession" of the Jewish patriarchs.

## must attend Geneva DAMASCUS, Feb. 16 (R). -

sides concerned taking part on the same footing, including the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

They pointed out that the achievement of peace must be based on Israeli withdrawal from all Arab territories occupied in 1967 and respect for the rights of the Palestinians, inc-luding their right to set up an independent state.

Syria and Romania stressed the need to promote the role of the United Nations in the settlement of the Middle East crisis.

The communique said President Ceausescu ozid trioute to President Assad's efforts to bring about a just and lasting peace and restore stability to Lebanon.

President Assad invited his Romanian host to pay an official visit to Syria. A date is to be fixed later

# Spanish opposition, Suarez get along easily after Carrillo's withdrawal

## From Commission of 10

He announced bis decision at

Catalan representative Jordi

Political sources indicated

The statement said opposition

that Mr. Carrillo's decision also

averted a crisis inside the "Co-

leaders expressed satisfaction

over the way the government

was going about legalising po-

litical parties. The moves sbo-

wed the government's will "to

recognise all political forces

that are legal in a democratic

cally an underground organisa-

tion, have applied for legal sta-

Enrique Mugica, a Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) leader,

said after the meeting that the

opposition leaders elso discus-

sed the question of an amnesty

The Communists, still techni-

a meeting of the "Commission

of 10" and he will be replaced

Pujol, a statement said.

mmission of 10".

country," it added.

tus like other parties.

topic."

They said the vote could be

Broad agreement was reached on Monday on a new electoral law to cover the poll at a meeting between the govern-ment headed hy Premier Adolfo Suarez and the "Commission of 10" made up of leaders of opposition parties.

said.

MADRID, Feb. 16 (AFP). The Spanish government may announce the date of parliamentary elections next week, political sources said today.

beld at the end of May.

The government's electoral law text was expected to be released shortly as a result of this accord. The elections are the first since Feb. 1936 in which opposition parties will be

In other developments, Communist Party leader Santiago Carrillo today stepped down from membership of an opposition committee that is to negotiate with the government on the future of Spain's regions, notably Catalonia and the Basque country, where separatist or autonomist sentiment is str-

The government indicated sofor political prisoners. The gume time ago it would not meet the Communist leader and he estion of Basque political prisoners must be settled before eleagreed to step down today "to ctions, he declared. remove all obstacles to negoti-"All of these prisoners must ations on such an important

be let out of prison, either as the result of a general amne-sty measure or through a review of their trials", Mr. Mugica stated.

Today's moves came amid reports that Dolores loarruri, 81, a leading figure of the Spanish Communist movement, was preparing to return today to Spain after almost 40 years as an exile in Moscow.

Known as "La Pasionaria". Mrs. Ibarruri wes expected to return here within the next 10 to 15 days, the Madrid news-Peper Diario 16 reported today. She is president of the Communist Party

It said she had "already na-cked her suitcases."

Mr. Carrillo received a passport from the government yesterday. He is free on bail on charges of belonging to an illegel organisation after being arrested last year while living clandestinely in Spain.

the very near future," Dr. Muller said. Dr. Muller said Pretoria had

New initiative on Rhodesia

imminent to break deadlock

3 a new imminent initiative gone out of its way to get the Rhodesia that could have warring parties in Rhodesia to--reaching consequences in gether around the conference table again.

outh Africa would do all it sibly could to bring about eaceful solution in Rhodesia, Muller said, adding that the ting between representatiof the three governments ill take place in the very

le did not confirm reports - m Washington this week South African Ambassador I Foreign Minister-designate Botha would meet soon h a British representative Assistant U.S. Secretary of te William Schaufele.

But I can say discussions · I probably be taking place in

Although the Geneva conference, which brought the par-

ties together bad proved a failure, Dr. Muller said the new initiative had come about through recent further contacts between the two warring groups. He said South Africa's detente and international relations

with other African countries would greatly improve once the issues of Rhodesia and Namibia were solved. He said he did not believe

South Africa had been left in the lurch by Western powers, because the country was strategically important. In a tribute to Foreign Mi-nister-designate Pik Botha, Dr.

Muller said he was comforted

to know he was leaving office in the knowledge that the foreign minister portfolio would be in good and experienced hands.

the first time when negotiations opened here on an EEC-Soviet

Diplomatic sources said So-

viet Fisheries Minister Alexan-

der Ishkov made it clear during

the initial discussions that his

government had come to Brus-

fishing agreement.

munity.

Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), is prepared to accept a Palestinian state on the West Bank and in Gaza, a United Nations spokesman said

USSR attends first Euro-Community meet

BRUSSELS, Feb. 16 (R). - The oided formal recognition of the Soviet Union today explicitly EEC and have limited their recognised the existence of the contacts to its nine member go-European Common Market for

vernments. Mr. Ishkov's statement is regarded here as a major diplomatic breakthrough by the EEC side.

During a break in today's negotiations, EEC Farm Commissioner Finn Olav Gundelach told a press conference: "The Russians explicitly ma-

sels to negotiate with the comde it clear they want to negotiate an agreement with the community So far the Russians have av-

for U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim, said Mr. Arafat had informed Dr. Waldheim of his readiness to accept such a state. Mr. Arafat's attitude, which

Rudi Stajduhar, spokesman

the spokesman described as "particularly flexible", amounted to "indirect to" indirect repeace in the Middle East to be

Dr. Waldheim's just-ended tour of the area yielded a series of positive results, be said, "de-

spite the absence of solutions to key problems, concerning PLO participation in the Geneva talks.

Dr. Waldheim set out a framework for political talks and consultations among all parties in the Middle East, including the two super-powers in their role as co-chairmen of the Geneva conference, the spokesman

Arafat ready to accept West Bank,

Gaza state, U.N. official says

here today.

cognition of the Israeli state." Mr. Stajduhar said be expected the Geneva conference on

reconvened this summer.

allowed to take part.

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million people are Roman Ca

Exactly how the autonomy

will be granted and how the

region's proposed elected 25-

sembly will be set up is at the

heart of the Tripoli talks wh-

ich are supposed to be comple-

Pbilippme President Ferdin-

and Marcos bas proposed hold-ing a plebiscite in the 13 pro-

vinces to see if all or any want

to be part of the autonumous

One rebel leader said, bow-

ever, that no provision was

made in the preliminary agree-

ment for a referendum and the

MNLF was against the idea ---

apparently mindful that it re-

mained a minority in the region

as a whole and that there is

some question of just how many Moslems recognise the

members have quit the move-

ment since the rebellion began

in 1972, and many now have

martial law since 1972 and the

rebel leaders ask how a free

referendum could be held un-

The country has been under

jobs with the government.

Some 26,000 former MNLF

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## A very heavy price

U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said in a Tel Aviv radio interview Tuesday that he thought participation of the PLO at the Geneva conference seemed "out of the question" because the PLO refused to recognise Israel. If Mr. Vance would stroll back a little in history with us, he would surely remember that negotiations took place for several years between the United States, the South Vietnamese government of Mr. Nguyen Van Thieu and the Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG) of the Vietcong. As an official in the State Department during the 60's, Mr. Vance knew about the conduct of the Vietnam war, and surely he appreciates the intricacies and implications of negotiations among such parties. The same principles apply to the Middle East, and Mr. Vance now sits in the seat that Mr. Kissinger occupied during the Vietnam war years. It seems to us altogether hypocritical and humiliating for the American secretary of state to suggest that the PLO cannot talk to Israel because it does not recognise Israel, when the United States and Mr. Thieu talked to the PRG when similar recognition was lacking. Why does Mr. Vance ascribe rules to Palestinian-Israeli negotiations that are more stringent than rules applied to negotiations the United States itself was involved in only a few years ago? Is Israel so special in the eyes of the United States that it can have the U.S. establish new international negotiating rules for it? Or have the Americans allowed themselves to be cornered by Israel once again? Is this the manner in which the United States has decided it is best qualified to spread liberty and freedom around the world? Has there been a top-level decision made in Washington to make up for the failure in Vietnam by doubling one's efforts to spread democracy in the Middle East? Were the lessons learned on the knees of Mr. Thieu so severe that the Arabs are being asked to help pay the price for them, because the United States itself cannot handle the entire burden by itself?

Mr. Vance shall learn with time that his job as America's secretary of state necessarily requires that he contradict the principles of his American republic nearly every time he opens his mouth to talk about

## **NEWS FOCUS**

# Filipino Christians worried about possible outcome of negotiations with the island's Moslem rebels

grievances that must be put

Under the ceasefire agreement

reached in earlier talks in Tri-

poli, autonomy is to be grant-

ed to 13 southern provinces,

even though the Moslems form

a majority in only five of these.

lem-dominated provinces --the Tawi Tawi and Sulu Is-

Mindanao, where there are siz-eable Christian minorities, and

in Zamboanga del Sur Zambo-

anga del Norte, where there are

One churchman explained

that on Basilan Island, Chris-

tians owned a lot of land "and

land problems are a basic ca-

use of the tension not only

with Christians but also among

Moslems of different ethnic

Basilan Island -- which fcr-eigners still need special mili-tary permission to visit because

backgrounds."

Moslems.

ers.

sizeable Moslem minorities.

In at least two of the Mos-

right.

By Colin Bickler ZAMBOANGA CITY, Southern Philippines. Feb. 16, (R). -For the moment, the guns of

the Moslem rebels are silent and land mines have been dug Calm bas descended in the southern Philippines while the negotiators are at work thou-sands of miles away in Tripoli, Libya. But bopes for the future are tempered by anxieties expressed by Christian leaders.

The aim of negotiations is to end the Moslem insurgency that has cost thousands of lives during the past four years. The rebels were fighting for recog-nition of Moslem minority rights in the predominantly Cbristian Philippines.

The Tripoli talks, which opened early this month, are bet-ween representatives of the Philippines government and the rebel Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF). Libyan leader Col. Muam-

mar Qadhafi and members of the Islamic Nations Conference are helping to hring about a reconciliation. Details of the establishment

of an autonomous region in the southern Pbilippines, where most of the country's two to four million Moslems live, is one major issue to be settled. And that is causing anxiety

to Christians living in island areas of the southern Philip-pines where there are large Moslem populations, according to church sources here. "What worries us in particu-

lar is just what sort of autonomy the region will get. Will it be Islamic and will there be special safeguards for Christians ?" A high-ranking Roman Catholic clergyman asked. He told Reuter the church believed the Moslems had many

Waldheim: Disarmament prospects improve

GENEVA, Feb 16, (R). - United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim told the Geneva Disarmament Conference yesterday prospects appeared to have improved for banning chemical weapons and underground nuclear tests -- major unattained objectives of the 30nation gathering.

There seemed to be greater lear blasts in the atmosphere. diness by the two nuclear Outer space and superpowers, the United States and the Soviet Union, to reach a test ban agreement, and fresh approaches made the outlook more encouraging for outlawing the most lethal chemical arms, be said. A U.N. official read Mr. Waldheim's message at the ope-ning of the 1977 session of the conference, which brings together Western, Communist and neutral nations under the co-Waldheim said. chairmanship of the Soviet Uo-ion and the U.S. Although he made no speci-

Mr. Waldheim said the Russians and the Americans recently indicated they were willing to overcome a deadlock over on-site inspections of suspect underground upbeavals which for years has blocked agreement on banning nuclear tests below the earth.

A 1963 accord outlawed nuc-

fic references to them, the en-couraging signs Mr. Waldheim had in mind, were believed to include recent statements by U.S. President Jimmy Carter that he wants to reach agreement soon with the Soviet Union to ban all nuclear weapons tests, possibly for an initial period of three or four years. On prospects for negotiatioos on a chemical weapons ban,

## By Omar Jawa Third Circle phantasmic Getting to know you...

There is nothing quite so exciting as a Middle East tour by an American secretary of state, whoever he may be. Most people follow the hectic meetings of the distinguished American envoy as he tries to prod peace between the Arabs and the Israelis. But I have had one of my little spies do some research into a little-known aspect of these trips -- life aboard the official airplane that carries the secretary of state everywhere he goes.

In fact, my special agent, a stealthy fellow, was able to sneak onto Mr. Cyrus Vance's airplane this week before it left Washington for the Middle East, and he has just sent me a very interesting report that I would like to sbare with my readers. What he sent, in fact, was a tape recording made during a highly secret aerial tour of the Middle East that Mr. Vance made last week, in order to take a preliminary look at the area from the air and scan the landscape, so to speak. My sneaky agent planted a microphone in Mr. Vance's necktie, and thereby was able to send me the entire conversation of that secret trip. Here are the most interesting portions of the tape: Vance: Have we reached the Middle East

yet, pilot? Pilot : We're almost there, Mr. secretary :

where would you like me to fly over first? Vance: Well, why don't we swing over Moscow so 1 can see if the Commies are putting up any new mobile missiles.

Pilot : Uh, Mr. secretary, we don't go to the Soviet Union until next month. We're going to the Middle East this week, and you'd better to the Middle East this week, and you d'octet learn the names of those countries on this practice flight or some of those Middle Easter-ners may be offended. And, uh, I don't think you should call them Commies now that you're the secretary of state.

Vance: Yeah, you're probably right. OK, let's swing over Lebanon first, maybe seeing Cyprus on the way, and then we can go down the coast to Israel and Egypt before we move inland.

Sixshooter Watson (top CIA briefing man on the Middle East) : Mr. secretary, we're coming over Nicosia now, and we're flying right along the green line so you can see both the Turkish and the Greek parts of the island.

Vance: Wow, will you look at that? They must be having a boy scout jamboree. Look at all those tents, and so neatly lined up!

Sixshooter: Those aren't boy scout tents, sir, they're Greek-Cypriot refugees. But we're not going to deal with the Cyprus problem on this trip, so we can leave this one for another time. But look over there.

Vance: Mamma mia, it must be some sort of boliday down there with all those firecrackers going off, and those bonfires.

Sixshooter: Uh, no sir, that's Beirut you see down there, and it looks like those people in Lebanon are fighting again.

Vance: Oh, no, Sixshooter, you mean we have to worry about that Lebanese war all over again? When we get back home, why don't you remind me to have some more baseball films sent to our cultural centre in Beirut. Maybe that'll give these people a chance to see some of the peaceful and enjoyable ways they can spend their time, instead of fighting all the time.

Sixsbooter: Yes, sir, I'll make a note of that.

Pilot: Mr. secretary, we're approaching the Israeli border now, and if you look along the ebanese coastline vou'll ian refugee camps down there. Vance : Dive ! Dive ! Turn this plane around ! Don't fly over those terrorist camps, whatever you do ! Sixsbooter: Mr. secretary, take it easy. We're not in any danger if we just fly over to take a look. After all, we're up at 45,000 feet. Vance: Yeah, I know; but you know what will happen in Israel if we tell them we flew over a terrorist training centre? When Golda gets me in her kitchen, sbe'll tear me to pieces. You know we can't fly over any Palestinian terrorist installations before the PLO recog-

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nises Israel. If we do, everyone will think we': recognising the terrorists. Dive! Divel

Sixshooter: Mr. secretary, you're really t uchy about that, aren't you? And by the wa Golda isn't prime minister any more. You be ter study up that briefing book I gave you t fore we make our official trip next week. B take a look down to your left.

Vance: Holy cow! I can't believe it ! C you see that shot? It was like a bullet

Sixshooter: Wow! It sure was a dane Pilot, can you take us down a little closer ( a better look? There are people running over the place down there. What's going on:

Pilot: It's a football match, sir, betwee the Israelis and the Lebanese. They've be doing this for several months.

Vance: I bet if they can get that left f vance: 1 bet it they can get that left f ward in the open, and get the ball to him, could score every time. This is a great via Tell me, pilot, do you think we can make , official visit next week in the Goodyear hlin We might not take any political news back President Carter, hut we'd sure be able to some fantastic football films for those si summer nights in the White House.

Sixshooter: Uh, Mr. secretary, turn slov and look out your window on the left side the plane, hut don't be scared.

Vance: Divel Divel We're dead ducks IF your wings, pilot, throw some confetti out window, weve the white flag, do someth We're being attacked!

Sixshooter: Take it easy, Mr. secret those are only Israeli Phantoms, and they ways come up to see who's flying aro their airspace. I think they recognise us, cause this official jet has been around Middle East many times before. See? I there, one of the Israeli pilots is waving at

Vance: Pilot! Pilot! Tell them we're Ar cans ! Tell them we'll give them another bil dollars, all the weapons they want, but m sure they know we're not an Arab pl They'll shoot us down! Call Henry, and bim what the hell we do in a spot like this.

Sixsbooter. It's OK, sir, they've gone I down. You will have to learn to main your composure in the Middle East. If you act like this down on the ground, we'll a in big trouble because everybody will laug us. Remember, sir, we are here as repri-tatives of the United States with a missic try and help the parties to the Middle conflict find a peaceful solution to their t dispute.

Vance: Whew! Man, was I scared! that's right, Sixshooter, we are repres tives of the people of the United State America, on a mission to help bring pea-this troubled region of the globe. Was right?

Sixshooter: Yes, that was very good. look over there, to your left, see those p down there? They're Egyptians.

Vance: Jeez, why are they burning buses?

Sixshooter: Domestic problems, sir. Bu will try and help them overcome their sing internal difficulties simultaneously. our attempts to bring peace to future pe tions of Arabs and Israells.

Vance: Wait a minute, there were too I big words in that sentence. Can't you sim that one for me, at least for this first tri Sixshooter: OK. Here's what you do.

we get off the plane at Cairo, you'll hear h one say, "Hello, my dear friend Cyrus." T 110. W n hear f the nearest tanned person around, hug kiss him, and repeat several times, loud en for the television microphones to hear," you want to see a belly dancer, a plumr preferably, because that's how they like in this part of the world. Then put one of tablecloths on your head, wrap it around, your belt, and say that you come as a p maker. If that doesn't work, tell 'em y from the World Bank. That always w Pilot, I think we'd better head back home have a lot of practicing to do before week ....

of the security problems -- al-The president has not waited ready has a Moslem governn: and four of its six mayors are for the :alks, however, in trying to establish bis good faith. He has already issued a dec-They too are said to be enree setting up special Moslem xious about their future in an religious courts to settle marautonomous region controlled riage, divorce aod family inheby the MNLF, because they feritance problems. the rebels will want politi-Everyone in this part of the cal posts for their own followcountry is enjoying the new-found calm and hoping fight-ing will not be resumed. The preliminary agreement provides that autonomy must

der such conditions.

be within the framework of the But the armed rebels are Pbilippines constitution in whstill in the hills and the army ich church and state are sepa-· partly engaged now in cirate, even though more than 80 per cent of the country's 44 vic action and rehabilitation

work .. is still on alert.

land groups -- there apparently is no major problem because the Christians have established some sort of working report, the sources said. The anxieties seem to be greatest ih Basilan Island, just off Mindanao, and in Lanao del Norte and Lanao del Sur on

the Israel-Arab conflict. He has already shown us this week that he is up to the job, and the spectacle is not a very pleasant one for us, for him or for the American people.

Is this, too, the price of Israel?

## ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

One of the Jordanian dailies Wednesday commented on the various declarations on the Middle East conflict delivered by Mr. Cyrus Vance during the past, and on their implications as to U.S. policy in the area, while a second daily wondered about the reasons behind the recent armed flare-up which took place in Lebanon.

AL RA'l, under the heading "Declarations and results", outlines the following points in Mr. Vance's declarations as being significant to any possible change in the future U.S. po-licy : His declaring that he had consulted with Moscow before starting on his Middle East tour means that the present peace process will be carried out under detente and not unilaterally by the U.S.; his confirmation of the importance of the role of the U.N. in the conflict and his reiteration to the Israeli press that any successful peace settlement should be based on the right of every country in the region to frontiers are Secure, of Israel's withdrawal and of the question of the legitimate rights of the Palestinians

These declarations, the paper adds, are in direct contradiction with Israel's position, which tries to keep the U.S. as the only arbiter in the con-flict, exclude the Soviet Union and the U.N. and reject discussing the rights or interests of the Palestinians as a separate auestion.

It is too soon to judge the results of such declaration. on the final U.S. Middle East policy or determine their effect on Israel. The only thing we can be sure about, the paper concludes, and the only position which can allow us to be optimistic is the Arab position for it is the only one which is within our hands.

AL DUSTOUR, discussing the armed disturbances which took place recently in Beirut, wonders whether their occurrence is just a coincidence or they have been timed to take place at a period when the region is witcessiog an intense diplomatic activity.

> This question becomes more pressing since no specific rea-son for such disturbances can be found, the paper says.

"When then ?" the paper asks. Is it to create a tense situation in the region on the eve of the visits of Mr. Vance and Mr. de Guiringaud ? All parties in Lebanon have agreed, and adhering, to the Riyadh are and Cairo summit resolutions on Lebanon. The only logical answer which remains, the paper says, is related to the negative results which the Lebanese crisis has had on the Arab influence in the world and has endangered the position of the Middle East conflict in being relegated to a second place of importance if the Syrian intervention and the summit coo-ferences had not saved it from that position.

It appears, therefore, that what happens in Beirut is pre-meditated and aims at reducing 13:05 14:00 14:10 Arab efforts to failare and at 14:30 Music mad weakening their position vis-avis the international peace efforts currently underway.

fomentors of troubles The have the intention of convincing Mr. Vance and Mr. de Guiringaud that the peace initiatives they are carrying through are premature and should wait a further settlemeot of the Lehanese crisis, the paper says,

The Arabs have a duty to counter these moves with determination, for if these moves succeed they, will freeze the peace process on which the Arabs have spent a great deal of effort to put it underway.

But attempts to extend the ban to underground explosions have foundered on Soviet-American differences over how to guard against cheabing. "There seems to be now a greater readiness to reach an accord in this area. Difficulties may remain, but I would express the hope that this committee make a very determined effort towards achieving a comprehensive test ban," Mr.

than in the past in the light of fresh approaches - - and new proposals on this subject.

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stalled for four years, Mr. Waldheim said, "the situation now appears more encouraging

that substantial progress can be made at this session toward banning the most lethal of these weapons in the general framework of an agreement that all such weapons would be banned as soon as adequate compliance procedures could be worked out."

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#### JORDAN TELEVISION Channel 3 & 6 : 9:20 Quiz programme 6:00 Quran 10:15 Arabic film 6:05 Children's programme Channel 6 : 6:30 English by television 7:30 News in Hehrew Young Dr. Kildare 7:45 Varieties 7:00 News in Arabic **g:00** 8:37 A Swede in Paris Channel 3 : 9:10 Feature film 7:30 Science and life 10:00 News in English 10:15 Cont. of feature 8:30 Arabic series

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	Copenhagen, Frankfurt Amsterdam, Athens		Aqaba
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20:20	Riyadh (SDI)	21:30	Riyadh, Dhahran (SDl)

### USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Ambulance (government)	Tel.	75111
Civil defence rescue	77	24391-4
Fire headquarters	*9	22090
First aid, fire, police	P	19
Jordan Electric Power Co. (emergency)	**	36381-2
Municipal water service (emergency)	19	37111
Police headquarters	"	39141
spoken) 24 hours a day for emergency help		21111, 37777

### **Cultural Centres**

American Centre (USIS)	Tel	41529
British Council		<b>36147</b> -
French Cultural Centre	20	37909
Goethe Institute	*	41988
Soviet Cultural Centre	"	44203
Ammaa Municipal Library	v	36111

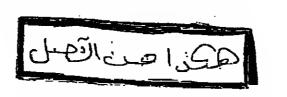
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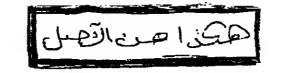
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11:00	News	20:30 21:15	People and Politics	
11:15	Money, Money, Money	21:30	The King's Singers	
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## Arab media committee continues sessions

CAIRO (JNA). - The Permaneot Committee on Arab Media will eod its 31st meeting here Thursday.

In Wednesday's session the committee debated the remaining subjects on its agenda : It called for giving foreign pressmen all facilities available for convering the sessions of the first Afro-Arab summit due to opeo io Cairo March 17,

The committee also called for the working out of an in-formation programme to back up Afro-Arab relations and for promotion of Arab media in Africa through seminars and meetings among Arab aod African media experts.

**Exchange** Rates

Following are the official exchange rates in effect at the start of today's business day, as set by the Central Bank of

Al Quds newspaper states Gaza mayor attacks Israeli policies

AMMAN (JNA). — In a cable to U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Gaza Mayor Haj Rashad Shawwa denounced Israeli policy, which threatens the chances for peace in the region.

Jerusalem's Al Quds newspaper, which published the cable, added that at a time when intensive efforts are being exerted to reach a settlement in the Middle East, the Israeli authorities continue to annex and confiscate Arab lands and build new settlements to accommodate new immigrants.

Israeli premier Yitzhak Rabin's statements to the effect that all settlements built on the occupied land are an integral part of Israel is more proof that Israel considers the act of judaising Arab occupied lands as legal.

Al Quds added that Haj Shawwa praised all efforts to achieve a just settlement in the region based on the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people.

In his cable to Mr. Vance, he called for an end to Israel's policy of occupation and confiscation of lands and to irresponsible statements by Israeli officials on the Middle East crisis.

# Satellite committee ends meet

CAIRO (JNA). -Arab communicatioo ministers Weónesday wound up meetings of the first conference of the pan-Arab Institution for Space Communications, which opened here last Monday under the chairmanship of Jordaniao Minister of Communications Abdul Ra'ouf Al Rawabdeb.

The conference elected members of the institute's administrative council.

In their last session, the ministers debated a report by the technical committee, formed Tuesday, which prepated specefications for Arab satellite due to be launched within the next three years.

The institution is based in Riyadh with a capital of \$100 million.

# Cabinet forms project follow-up committee

MAN (JNA). — In-its mee-, chaired by . Premier Mu-Badran Wednesday, the Cait decided to form a ministcommittee to study Jorddevelopment projects and w up their implementation financing.

he committee consists of nier Badran as Chairman; minister of state for prime stry affairs; the ministers inance, Industry and comm-

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ointment of Mr. Maulud Abdul Qader as Director of the Audit Department and Dr. Saleh Al Khasawneh as Director of the Income Tax Department. The Cabinet also decided on

the following personnel changes: Under Secretary at the Finan-ce Ministry Suleiman Al Deiri

is to become Deputy Director of the Audit Department; Dire-ctor of the Budget Department Farhi Obeid will become Uoder Secretary at the Finance Ministry; and Fawwaz Al Zu'bi

of the Ceotral Bank will become Director of the Budget Department.

MASS ARRESTS FOLLOW HEBRON

EXPLOSION

AMMAN (JNA). - Arrivals from the occupied West Bank said that the Israeli occupation authorities had launched mass arrests in Hebron following the explosion of two grenades near a shop run by a Jew adjacent to the Ibrahimi Mosque.

Al Rai newspaper added that Israeli authorities had tighteoed security measures in the city after discovering two rocket launchers in the backyard of a girl's school.

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#### ARRIVES IN AMMAN TOMORROW VANCE CYRUS

# The realist with a streak of moralism opens new

WASHINGTON, D.C. (USIS) -America's 57th Secretary of State, Cyrus Roberts Vance, is not new to the conference rooms of Wasbington or negotiating tables around the world. Vance's new oositioo at Foggy Bottom caps two decades of government service in which he drew up the legal basis for America's space programme, rose to the secood highest of-fice in the Peotagoo and became President Johnson's chief dipiomatic troubleshooter, dispatched to botspots across the United States and around the world.

From Capitol Hill to Whitehall to the Quai d'Orsay, the appointment of the urbane West Virginia-born lawyer has brought near-unanimous praise. New York Times' Leslie Gelo observed that "what Mr. Car-ter aod his aides heard about ... Mr. Vance wheo they telephoned around the country was that he was solid, a healer... who strongly favoured detente with the Soviet Union... and arms control; a skilled nego-tiator who used no gimmicks, self-effacing, a realist who wor-ked within a consensus but who had a streak of moralism." Perhaps indicating the shape of things to come, eminent statesman and diplomat Averell Harriman, Vance's senior negotiating partner during the Vietnam peace talks in the late 1960s, said: "He's a man who thoroughly understands that the president is responsible for foreign policy and that his responsibility is to implement it." In other capitals, the selec-

tion was seeo as a sign that U.S. foreign policy would re-main fundamentally unchanged, that in Vance envoys would be dealing with a known quantity with proven competence in foreign affairs. "We know him

well. We respect him greatly. He is at once hard-headed, tough and liberal, was the response in London. France's Foreign Minister, Louis de Guiringaud, applauded Carter's nomination of a "man of finesse and tact and intelligence." In Tokyo: "We feel Mr. Vance's world thinking is wellbalanced."



Announcing his first cabinet appointment in December, then President-elect Carter said he had received "almost unanirecommendations for mous" Vance from those consulted in the U.S. and abroad, and ter-med his new man a "superb adviser and negotiator, a levelheaded administrator and ma-

The two had met when Car-ter, then Governor of Georgia, was approached by Vance when the latter was promoting the United Negro College fund. Over the years, Carter consul-ted with Vance on various matters and the two developed a liking for each other. In 1973 they both became members of the Trilateral Commission, a group under the auspices of David Rockefeller that seeks to

promote closer ties among Japan and tha countries of Wes-tern Europe and North Amea member of the 'Foreign Po-licy Task Force' assembled by candidate Carter. Moreover, in recent years, Vance has been championing many interests al-so espoused by Carter. Reemphasising a sense of morality for the U.S. globally; checking the spread of U.S. weaponry; and rebuilding with the public and Congress a consensus for sustaining American policy overseas

Vance's views on a number of subjects, including the Mid-die East, were probed by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee during the nominee's mid-January confirmation hear-ings. After emphasising a need for increased morality in foreign policy and vowing a pledge to "come completely clean" with Congress oo foreign po-licy matters, Vance became Secretary of State by unanimous vote. During the hearings he predicted that "foreign poli-

cy will be increasingly intertwined with domestic econo-mic policy," adding that these concerns "will replace some of the security issues which have dominated foreign policy for the past 10 or 20 years." He cited economic develop-

ment, energy, food, population and environment because they

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a. The Telecommunications Corporation of Jordan invites the submission of tenders for the procurement, installation, testing and commissioning of equipment as a turn key project for the Jordan Telex Network. The equipment comprises of (1) an international electronic telex exchange in Amman and (2) twelve (12) time division multiplexers, six (6) in Amman, two (2) in Irbid, three (3) in Aqaba and one (1) in Zarqa, and (3) sixty six (66) voice frequency carrier telegraph (VFCT) channels, thirty six (36) in Amman, twenty four (24) in Irbid, four (4) in Madaba and two (2) in Jerash. Tenderers are kindly requested to offer for all three (3) items as an intergrated turn key project as per the proposed plan in the specifications. Tenders shall include for the training of corporation staff in the operation and maintenance of the offered equipment. Tenderers shall make proposals for this training, that is, duration, number of staff, location etc.

friend of John W. Davis, the will determine 'how - - or whether -- the next generation will Democratic presidential candidate in 1924. live.'

Below are some Vance foreign policy views, based oo statements he has made since in Switzerland, where he learned Freoch, then to the Kent School, in Connecticut, where nomination and during Senate he was active in student body hearings:

-Soviet Union: Nothing is politics and sports. His crewmore important than "getting SALT (Strategic Arms Limita-tion Talks) out of the doldrums. ing coach remembered him as "very aggressive, but a perfect sport and gentleman." He en-Progress in the SALT negotiajoyed ice hockey, too, a sport tions is a matter of paramount he continued when he entered importance." But the U.S., he cautions, must be careful not Yale in 1936. A hockey injury was the beginning of a chronic back problem that later led to to give the impression to its allies that it is more interested two operations for ruptured in placating its foes than in conciliating its frieods. He has spinal discs and the necessity of wearing a steel back brace. often said that more emphasis Associates report that be has sbould be placed on improving borne the pain with stoicism relations with allies. and good humour.

Cyrus Vance on the Middle East: "Our diplomatic efforts in this area must be given highest priority; peace in this region must be at the top of our agenda; it is 'proper and reasonable to say' that a peace conference should take place."

-Middle East: "...Our dip-lomatic efforts in this area must be given highest priority; peace in this region must be at the top of our agenda; it is proper and reasonable to say' that a peace conference should take place" in 1977. it."

---World ecooomy: This, Vance feels, is "terribly important" to prevent world economic chaos.

-Human rights: "These principles should permeate our foreign policy thinking and there will be "greater empha-sis" on governmental support for human rights in U.S. aid considerations

Secretary Vance's seventh floor suite at the State Department overlooking the Po-tomac River is a long w.y from Clarkshurg, West Virgin-ia, where he was born on March 27, 1917, to John Cari and Amy Pohenter Visco Hi and Amy Roberts Vance. His mother, who died recently at 80, organised the first symphony concerts in Clarksburg. His father, who died when Cyrus was 5 years old, was a close

After leaving Yale Law School, Vance enlisted as a midshipman in the U.S. Navy. He was released from active service March 28, 1946, with the rank of lieuteoant, senior grade. He pronounced his navy service "a good life. I enjoyed This, From 1946-47, Vance worked as assistant to the president

at the Dayton, Ohio-based, Mead Corporation, manufactures of paper products, but left in 1947-the same year he married art studeot Grace Sloane and was admitted to the New York Bar-to practice law with the New York firm of Simpson, Thacher and Bartlett. today renamed Simpson and Thacher. After becoming a partner on Jan. 1, 1956, he specialised in civil litigation, usually in the preparation of cases, until he left the firm six years later to become General Counsel fo. the Department of Defence.

Cyrus was first sent to school

Vance's government service' was launched, in effect, by a Soviet rocket-the sputnik, put

CAR FOR SALE FIAT 132 S - 1800 -- Mid-1974 48,000 kms - in perfect condition. into orbit in October 1957. prompting the U.S. Senate to create a Special Preparedness Subcommittee to investigate the American satellite and missile programme. Its chairman was then Senate majority leader Lyndon B. Johnson, and Vance went to Washington as special counsel to assist in widely publicised hearings. 00 missiles and weapons.

Senator Johnson prevailed upon Vance to stay on; in 1958 was made Counsel to the Senate's Special Committee on Space and Aeronautics and in that capacity drafted the Na-tional Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958 which created the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and laid the administrative groundwork for America's Space Programme.

In government service, Vance used what frieods insist is a photographic memory for written material and be won a reputation for painstaking re-search. Said a colleague of his: "He operates quietly. Nohody outworks him. . be goes to most meetings with more facts than anybody else there." One old friend observes: "He is not a man who argues and shouts to make his point. But he makes it.'

In 1959 Vance became Associate Counsel to the Senats Preparedness Investigating Sub. committee and conducted preliminary hearings on the Defence Department budget. The next year be served as Asso-ciate Special Counsel during hearings on missiles, space and other defence matters, conducting an inquiry into the com-parative reliability of U.S. and Soviet missiles and space satellite . programming for United States.

During the subcommittee hearings in 1957 Vance often took his turn questioning witnesses, but little attention was focussed on him. A participant recalls: "Vance was around for two weeks before many of us, realised he was there." But he had made a favourable impression, and when the Democrats took office under President John F. Kennedy in 1961, he was asked if he would like a job in the Department of Dea service secretary job, prefe-rably navy, since he'd been a naval officer in World War II. Defence Secretary Robert Mc-Namara agreed that Vance's credeotials were impressive, in inciste retaries have administrative experience and since Vance hadn't appointed him General Counsel to the Defeoce Department.

He sent him to quell-hostilities after the anti-U.S. riots in Panama, where a basic agreement was laid for the extensive treaty negotiations that have con-

across the country after

Martin Luther King, Jr.

April 1968 assassination of

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his resignation.

When civil war broke out in the Dominican Republic the following year, the unflappable lawyer maintained, under fire, an evenhanded negotiating role that brought the conflict to an

During the long, hot summer of 1967, President Johnson again gave his top trouble-



shooter an assignment, this time domestic: put an end to violence in Detroit. of violence by the use of over-whelming law enforcement manpower as a substitute for gundower.

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## Vance's accompanying officials

Philip C. Habib has held the post of Under S retary of State for Political Affairs since July 1. If when he succeeded Joseph J. Sisco who retired become President of American University.

Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian-a Pacific Affairs from 1974 to 1976. During the ye 1971-1974, he was Ar issador to the Republic Korea.

From 1962-65 he was Counsellor for Politi Affairs at Seoul. He was assigned to Saigon fr. 1965 to 1967, where he served as Political Offic with the personal rank of Minister. He was Dept Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affa. from 1967 to 1969, and from 1968 to 1971 was Sen Adviser to the United States Delegation at the Pameetings on Vietnam.



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A l'occasion du 1er anniversaire du décès de M. PIERRE LAVERGNE, Conseller Culturel Français,

une messe sera célébrée pour le repos de son âme et de celle de son épouse, le Vendredi 18 février 1977, à 11 h. du matin, à l'église latine, de Jabal Luweibdeh. La famille du défunt et la famille Uwaychek invitent les amis et les connaissances de M. et Mme. Lavergne a assister à la célébration de cette messe.



In that capacity, he worked on a variety of planning studies, including the project oo management of common supplies and services which led to the establishment of the Defence Supply Agency in 1961. An aide in the General Counsel's Office once asked him to specify requirements for doing a good job at the Pentagon. Vance quickly replied: "Good staff and good judgement." He might have added, by his own example, long bours. He was tagged by one associate as "the only man in the Pentagon who comes earlier and stays later than the Secretary of Defence." Vance explained: "There is so much work to be done. You could work 24 hour a day and never do everything that needs to be done." Vance believed in economy of words, spoken and written. In Washington, he enjoyed a reputation for candor, emotional stability, mental precision, legal analysis, fair-ness, and a good comprehen-sion of people. One admiring colleague reported that "he can say 'no' more nicely than anyone I've ever met."

While Geoeral Counsel be also worked with the army on its reorganisation study. When Elvis J. Stahr, Jr., resigned as Secretary of the Army, Cyrus Vance was Secretary McNamara's personal choice to succeed Stahr. Vance became the seventh Secretary of the Army July 5, 1962.

As Secretary, Vance supervised revitalisation of the army and other cost-effective reforms. The Washington Post observed be had an "adroit touch as a civilian leader of military men."

Secretary McNamara made Vance his number two-Deputy Secretary of Defence-Jan. 18 1964, a position he held until June 10, 1967. During his first year on the job, President Johnson launched Vance's career as a troubleshooter par excellence.

Alfred L. Atherton, Jr. has held his position-Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern a South Asian Affairs since April 1974. Since 19 he served in the Bureau for Near Eastern and So Asian Affairs in various positions dealing with L Middle East, including Deputy Assistant Secreta

Mr. Atherton was appointed to the United Sta-Foreign Service in 1947 at which time he served the American Consulate General in Stuttgart, Wa Germany. During his early foreign service career, completed diplomatic assignments in Stuttgart, Bo Damascus and Aleppo, Syria. He returned to Wa ington in 1958 and in 1961 was detailed to University of California for advanced econor studies.

His most recent overseas assignment was at United States Consulate General in Calcutta, Indi

Harold H. Saunders has been Director of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research since December 1975.

Previous to his appointment to the Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Mr. Saunders served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs from July 1974 until November 1975, where his special of responsibility area including the states of North Africa, the Arab states north of the Arabian peninsula and Israel. He came to the State Department from the National Security Council staff in the

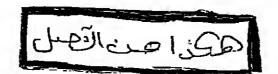
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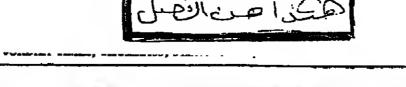
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Mr. Carter joi "The Delta-Demo Times" in 1959 as a porter and editorial ter. He became man ing editor in 1962 editor and associate blisher in 1965.

He is the author the book "The So, Strikes Back," and co-anthored four of books. He has write numerous articles magazines and newspapers.

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> The low heart opening. lead was covered by the jack and taken by the king. Declarer led a diamond to the nine and Lehel, sitting East. ducked in tempo! Not surprisingly. declarer pre-sumed that he had taken a successful finesse. Therefore, he returned to his hand with the queen of spades and continued with a diamond to the ten.

Now Lehel won the jack. and the diamond suit was dead. There was only one entry to dummy, and the ace of diamonds still had to he knocked out. Declarer struggled fitfully for a while before conceding down two.

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THE JORDAN TIMES..

des in severol cities in West Germany have recently simuloted skyscroper fires to test procedures and equipment. The emergency routines were carried out for the Ministry of Housing to find out. jor instance, how long it inkes to evacuate n 23-storey office block like the Mannesmann building in Düsseldorf (photo). where more than 500 people work. Instend of the old-style firemen's blnnket, volunteers jumped down to jumbo mattresses.

LONG DROP -- Fire briga-

FORECAST FOR THURSDAY, FEB. 17, 1977



GENERAL TENDENCIES: A time to wind up whatever have placed in motion but not completed. Tomorrow starts a new cycle so be prepared for new activity. Use tact in dealing with others.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Study the actions of friends and strive for increased harmony. Show others that you are an excellent citizen. Be wise.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Do nothing that could jeopardize your good reputation. Make sure you handle credit affairs wisely. Make the evening a charming one in the company of family members.

GEMINI (May 2I to June 21) A new plan you have in mind needs more study before putting it in operation. Take no chances where your credit is concerned.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Make sure you are conscientious in the handling of duties or you could get into trouble. Be more cheerful.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Make certain you keep promises made to others or you could get into serious trouble. Be careful of intruders.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Your work load is heavy but dig in and it will soon he behind you. An annoving outside situation is best forgotten.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Show true devotion to close ties and keep barmony intact. Be practical by avoiding temptation to overspend.

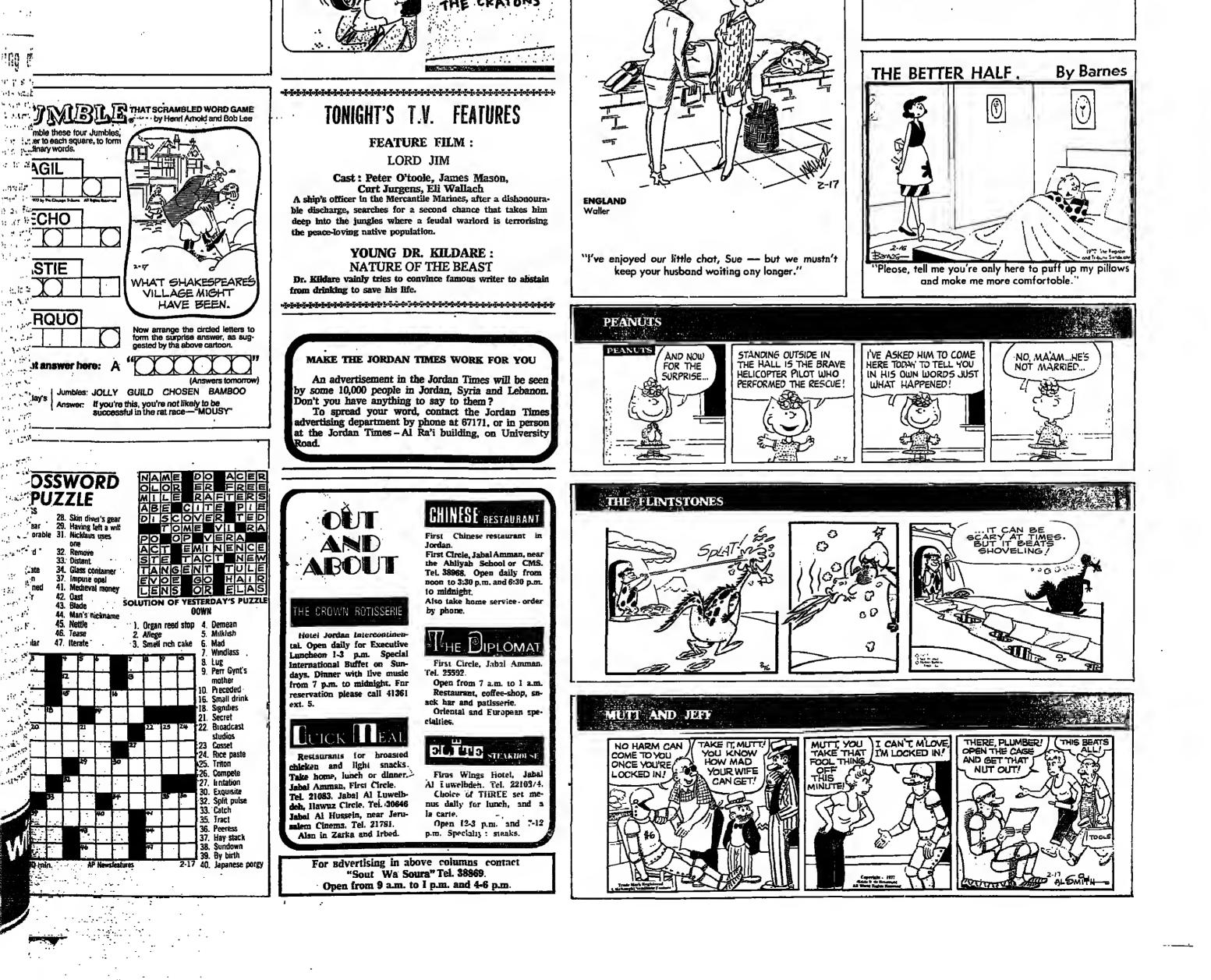
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Do nothing at home that could decrease harmony there. A new plan you have in mind needs further study to be successful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Control your temper where some some small matter is concerned or it could be more serious. Relax tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Don't neglect to handle routine duties early in the day. Plan needed repairs to property. Take health treatments,

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Know what your personal aims are and go after them in a positive fashion. Show increased devotion to loved one,

PISCES (Feb. to Mar. 20) Although you could have a gripe with a higher-up, this is not the right day to air. Avoid a foe who could give you trouble.



Lebel, the young star who is known als much for the speed of spades was in dummy as play as for bis hril- an entry. The contract would goes even further in nending possible times you should hold up the jack of a suit declarer is trying to establish even when

ut for ward. has the strength for a the suit!

# Congressman Bingham: Yemeni leaders Cuba is willing to cooperate with U.S.

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British devolution referenda

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 (AFP). Cuba is ready to cooperate with the United States in several fields including fishing rights, agriculture, sports and cultural exchanges, according to a sta-tement by Democratic Congressman Jonathan Bingham published in the New York Times today.

Mr. Bingham, who represents New York State, had nearly eight hours of talks in Havana last weekend with Cuban Pri-me Minister Fidel Castro.

He said Mr. Castro expressed willingness to hold talks with the Carter administration oo the extensioo of the Cuban and U.S. coastal fishing zones to 200 miles, on cultural and sporting exchanges and on joint efforts to combat sugar cane blight.

Mr. Bingham, who visited the Communist-ruled Caribbean island as chairman of a Subcommittee of the House of Repre-sentatives' International Rela-

LONDON, Feb. 16 (AFP). — The House of Commons today

overwhelmingly approved the

Labour government's plans to

hold referenda in Scotland and

Wales on whether these parts

of the United Kingdom should

have their own assemblies. The

vote of 231 to 24 came after

a debate in which Mr. Michael

### tions Committee, added: "The essence of it is there are several subjects that can and sh-ould be discussed without any preconditions immediately."

Dr. Castro still believed the United States should lift com-pletely its trade embargo on Cuba before a resumption of

President Hamdi met South Yemeni President Salem Rub-aye' Ali at Qaatabah, oo the mountainous frontier between diplomatic relations, broken off 16 years ago, could be consid-ered, be said. Cuba also regarded the reactivation and renewal of the the two south Arabian repubanti-hijacking agreement bet-ween the two countries as delics. pendent on the lifting of the meeting as a step towards un-American embargo, Mr. Binggham went on. which were one land before the Britisb established a colony in

The agreemeot, due to expire on April 15 this year was an-nuiled by Cuba last October after a Cuban airliner was blown up in mid-air near Barbados, killing 79 people. Dr. Castro, according to the

vate to discuss the work of joint committees on Yemeni unity. Observers here expected U.S. congressman, was "extrethe meeting would improve remely friendly" towards Presilations between Sana'a and Aden, which have sometimes dent Jimmy Carter. whom he been strained.

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The radio said President Hamdi met the Southern Ye-meni leader when be arrived by approved by House of Commons special aircraft from Aden. Local residents surrounded the building where they met and cheered Yemeni unity, it add-Foot, leader of the House, an-nounced an important govern-

North, South

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SANA'A, Feb. 16 (R). - The

leaders of North and South

Yemen met yesterday -- the first such talks since President Ibrahim Al Hamdi took power

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Sana'a Radio described the

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# Waldheim: All sides to Mideast conflict want peace talks resumed

JORDAN TIMES, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1977

VIENNA, Feb. 16 (R). - United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim said yesterday prospects for negotiations on the Middle East had improved.

"All sides have said they are interested in resuming nego-tiations," Dr. Waldheim told the Austrian Foreign Policy Association.

The U.N. Secretary general, a former Austrian foreign minister, is on an official visit to Vienna after a tour of Middle East capitals to sound out Arab and Israeli leaders on resum-ing the Geneva Middle East peace conference. Dr. Waldheim, in a prepared text for his talk last night,

said it was impossible for various reasons to think of reconvening the Geneva conference last year.

At the beginning of this year, however, the conditions ap-pear to be more favourable for a new start in the negotiating process," he declared.

Dr. Waldheim said a lasting settlement in the Middle East

"All must be done to get the negotiations moving again. My contacts with the two co-chairmen of the Geneva con-ference -- namely the United States and the Soviet Union --

have strengthened my purpose," he said. On relations between the world's rich and poor countries, the secretary general said concrete measures were needed to shift nations "from the confrontation of short-term interests to cooperation by the pursuit of common long-term goals."

## Ecuadorean paper suggests reasons for U.S. veto on Israeli sale of Kfir jets

caused in recent years by the illegal fishing by U.S. boats in Ecuadorean waters, Ecuador has been sanctioned by a ban on the purchase of war materials of U.S. origin."

The 24 Israeli Kfir fighter-Speaking at a reception in the Apostolic Nunciature (Vati-can Embassy) Senor Lara lashbombers Ecuador wanted to buy have American engines.

La Razon said the U.S. had also taken action against Ecuador because this South American nation had joined the Or-ganisation of Petroleum Export-ing Countries (OPEC). This was jor powers and appeared in the double role of "sponsors of a reference to the U.S. Foreign clashes and at the same time peacemakers." Trade Law passed last year which barred OPEC member-Last week the Ecuadorean Defence Ministry reacted to the U.S. ban by saying that Ecuadnations from tariff benefits.

The U.S. banned the sale of the Kfir planes to Ecuador on the grounds that the transfer of advanced and sophisticated weapons into Latin America ran counter to U.S. policy.

### French left unites efforts

## for municipal elections the Republic which is the gov-

PARIS, Feb. 16 (AFP). - The French left resolved yesterday to put aside its quarrels and Michel d'Ornano, the pick of President Valery Giscard d'Es-taing. Both Mr. Chirac and Mr. d'Ornano want to be mayor. to unite its efforts to win the Paris municipal elections of March 13 and 20.

The three major groupings on the left -- Communists, Sothe forces and the end result cialists and leftist radicals --

# Ugandan refugee says An launches wave of terror

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NAIROBI, Feb, 16 (AFP). — A refugee arriving here from Gulu in northern Uganda has described a wave of terror carried out by President Idi Amin's troops against civilians in the northern areas where he says, hundreds have died in the past few weeks.

The Ugandan also rejected sident Amin's statement on Radio Uganda denying that the archbishop of Uganda, Rwanda, and Burundi had been arrested. church.

The archbishop was taken from his bouse in Kampala under arrest a week ago, Ugandan church sources confirmed. According to the Gulu wit-

ness, the Anglican bishop of Tororo was also arrested and was still missing. "He is be-lieved to be detained at Nakaserro, headquarters of the State Research Unit, or dead," the Ugandan said.

Ecuadorean Foreign Minis-

ter Jorge Lara referred indi-

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day night when he accused the major powers of "criminally

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But the relative strength of

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Meanwhile, tha Nairo The Standard, quoting a He said numbers of former Ugandan army officers had placed Church of Ugar fled to Zaire in the past two weeks and hundreds of Ugancial today accused F Amin of twisting fac the alleged coup plot dan citizens had been killed "indiscriminately" in the northe president was usi thern towns. The massacres started after the reported disch's supposed involve covery of a plot to oust Prehis excuse for new n which would be car sident Amin's regime on the eve of the sixth anniversary SOON. The Standard quote last month of his military take-over, a plot in which the Ugan-dan leader has implicated the ficial as saying that ju Christmas Christian le

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the whole of northern Uganda in the past two weeks killing and arresting leading busines-smen, former politicians, government officers and retired or

sacked army officers. Among those arrested was the former Public Service and Cabinet Affairs Minister Mr. Ovunji, a lawyer named Ochola and the colonel formerly in charge of signals at army head-quarters, the Ugandan witness said. He alleged that an operation aimed at clearing northern Uganda of all opposition to President Amin was still going on.

According to another report in Nairobi, the president's ad-viser on police matters, Mr. Anywa, was killed and his legless body dumped near the police barracks in Kampala, at the spot where a handgrenade was burled at President Amin in an unsuccessful coup a year ago.

> 718 candidates contest Pakistani elections

ISLAMABAD, Feb. 16 (R). — A total of 718 c will contest 181 seats for Pakistan's enlarged Nationa bly in general elections on March 7, the Election Cor announced today,

The ruling Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) of Prime Zulfikar Ali Bbutto has already won 19 seats unoppo. the 200 at stake in four provinces.

The uncontested seats include Mr. Bbutto's own by stituency of Larkana in Sind Province. The commission last Saturday dismissed a chal Mr. Bhutto's unopposed election by opposition 1 Maulana Jan Mohammad Abbasi, who claimed be was

ped by police to prevent him filing nomination papers

## ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS NEWS **EEC-Soviet fisheries negotiations** are not mere discussions over fish

- The European Economic Community and the Soviet Union sat down at the negotiating table here for the first time today for talks which are of much greater political importance than the subject itself ---Soviet fishing in EEC waters.

For the Soviet delegation, headed by Fisheries Minister Al-exander Ishkov, will be nego-tiating with an EEC team led by Mr. David Owen, Minister of State in the British Foreign Office, and Mr. Finn Oval Gundelach, the Danish EEC Commissioner for Agriculture and Fisheries.

Sources close to EEC headquarters bere said this was politically very important because the Soviet Union bas so far refused to recognise the EEC Commission.

Tha significance of the talks therefore went well beyond the purpose of the two sides: To draw up a farmework, agree-ment between the two sides oo fisbing by Soviet trawlers in-side the EEC's new 200 nautical mile fishing limit.

Officially, the Moscow gove-rnment has so far only been in contact with Britain over the issue. Britain, which is Ch-

airman of the EEC Council up to June 30, has made it clear that it has been acting on be-half of the "nine".

And by agreeing to come to Brussels for the negotiations, the USSR has at least tacitly accepted to be seated at the same table as the EEC Commission, according to the view of EEC officials here.

This appears as yet another indication that the EEC as such and the Soviet Union and its

Eastern European allies, group-ed in Comecon (Council for Mutual Economic Assistance), may be moving towards a normalistion of their relations Comecon a year ago proposed the conclusion of a wideranging cooperation agreement covering trade, economic as well as technical and scientific cooperation between the two sides, but received a cautious response from the EEC. The EEC hinted that in an initial phase it would be pre-pared to exchange statistical

kind of agreement the Comecon countries would like to conclude. Britain, the present Council Chairman, received word earlier this month that Come-con's reply will be forwarded soon.

QUITO, Feb. 16 (R). — The newspaper La Razon said yes-terday the Uoited States ban

on the sale of Israeli planes to

Ecuador was in retaliation for

Ecuador's moves to prevent U.S. trawlers from fishing ille-gally in Ecuadorean waters.

La Razon said in an editorial

that "because of the tension

EEC sources bere said the EEC-Soviet fisberies talks which started today might open the door for talks on relations between the two economic groupings in other areas.

As for the problem which has arisen between the EEC and the USSR, observers bere believe it will be hard to settle. The Soviet Union had not accepted the provisional system of catch quotas and mandatory llcences for Soviet trawlers which the EEC wants to apply until the end of next March. The EEC allocated the Soviet fishing fleet a Quota of no more than 38,500 tons of fish inside the 200-mile zone in the first three months of this year, and ruled that no more than tions. 27 Soviet and Eastern European trawlers should be allowed to operate inside this zone at

## Krupp, Iran conclude barter deal

ESSEN, West Germany, Feb. 16 (R). — Krupp, the West German industrial group, said yesterday it had concluded a barter deal with Iran under which it would obtain crude oil in return for industrial equipment.

A spokesman for the concern declined to give details but reliable industry sources said the agreement invloved 4.5 tons worth around 1.08 billion marks (££250 million), being delivered to Krupp and resold to the Belgian oil company Petrofina.

The West German firm bas agreed to build a steel plant near Isfahan in northern Iran, estimated to be worth nearly \$3 billion.

It was announced last October that Iran had taken out a 25.01 per cent stake in Krupp, but the spokesman said yesterday the barter arrangement was not connected with the payment of this since Iran was settling its bill in casb.

data with the Comecon. But it made it clear that it preferred negotiating trade agreements separately with indi-vidual Comecon members ra-

ther than with the organisation as such. Comecon has disagreed with

this approach. Last November, the Netherlands, which was EEC Council Chairman, then asked in a note exactly what

any time. The USSR has so far disregarded these restrictions. Official sources have said that 50 to 60 Soviet trawlers have been operating inside the EEC zone recently. But neither Bri-tisb nor Dutch surveillance vessels have intervened so far.

of the contest are not yet clea announced after a meeting this The Communist, for example, morning that they would pre-sent a joint list of candidates question the apparent divisions on the right and suggest that Mr. Giscard d' Estaing, Mr. in each of the capital's 18 voting districts.

Chirac and Mr. d' Ornano may be "accomplices" who appear to differ only to dramatise their Candidates for the "Union of the Left" are to offer a "municipal contract" based on the eventual reconciliation while left's Joint Platform prepared vanquishing Socialism and any for the 1978 legislative elecform of colectivism by taking the adversary by surprise. At the same time, the leftist

At first glance, the left appears to have re-established a common front, an important event for several reasons. For the first time in just over 100 years, out of the municipal elections will come a real mayor for Paris, which has beeo governed by an administrative appointes.

The elections also signals a confrontation between the left several voting districts, the left is still labouring under the ser-ious handicap in Paris of Soand a right divided by political differences and personal animosities.

particularly on economy and The most obvious split pits former Premier Jacques Chirac, ideology, and the move to the suburbs of a large part of its traditional electorate. head of the Gaullist Rally for

## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

CAIRO, Feb. 16 (AFP). - Sudan refused permission for a Soviet transport plane to cross its airspace on a flight from Libya to Ethiopia a few days ago, an Egyptian magazine report-ed today quoting a highly placed Sudaness source. The weekly Akher Sa'a said the Soviet Embassy in Khartoum asked the Sudanese authorities to allow a plane carrying 'books and pub-lications" to overfly Sudanese territory but that the Sudanese refused after learning that the aircraft was loaded with arms for anti-Sudanese elementa based in Ethiopia.

MANILA, Feb. 16 (R). — President Ferdinand Marcos said to-day be may have to postpone a planned plebiscite on an autonomous region for the southern Philippines which is part of a planned peace package for Moslem rebels.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 (R). — President Carter yesterday nominated a black federal judge to the Justice Department's third ranking position and another black and two women to top posts in the department. Mr. Wade McCree, 56, an Appeals Court judge, was named to the post of solicitor general. To the post of Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Rights Division, be nominated Mr. Drew Days, a black lawyer with the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured Pe-ople (NAACP). Ms. Barbara Babcock, an Associate Professor at Standford University in California was named an assistant at Standford University in California, was named an assistant attorney general for tha civil division and Ms. Patricia Wald, a lawyer for a mental health project, was nominated to be assis-tant attorney general for legislative affairs.

DDIS ABABA, Feb. 16 (R). - Senegalese Foreign Minister Assane Seck left for home today after what informed sources said was a mediation effort in the dispute between Ethiopia and Sudan. Mr. Seck, who arrived on Sunday, collected written re-piles from Ethiopian leader Mengistu Haile-Mariam and Sudanese President Jaafar Nimeiri to special messages be delivered from President Leopold Senghor, the sources said.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 (R). - Demonstratora protesting against N the alleged presence of Iranian secret police in the United States yesterday chained themselves to the Statue of Liberty. A police spokesman said between five and seven protesters -members of the Iranian Student Association and the Revolutionary Student Brigade according to student sources -- climbed the spiral staircase of the monument and chained themselves to the bannisters.

## Sri Lankan oppositio, accuses Bandaranaike of dictatorial goals

By Dalton da Silva

COLOMBO Feb 16 (AFP). -Yesterday Leaders of opposition parties in Sri Lanka charged that the Prime Minister Mrs. Sirimavo Bandaranaike had broken free from the democratic control of parliament to organise "unconstitutional and illegal adventures aimed at a dictatorship."

They made the charge in a joint statement issued after a two-and-a-half hour meeting in which they considered the pre-sent political situation in the country arising from the sudden prorogation of parliament.

Sri Lanka President William Gopallawa issued a proclamation last Thursday proroguing parliament till May 19 on the advice of the prime minister. The opposition leaders con-

demned the prorogation and called upon the people to prepare actively to protect and defend their democratic rights and sovereignty.

They said the prime minister had made use of the device of prorogation to evade the debate on the opposition spon-sored no confidence motion against the government (in connection with the manner in which it handled the recent strikes) which had been fixed for debate on Feb. 17.

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They said the opposition considers it far more serious that by proroguing parliament till May 19 the prime minister has freed herself from the democratic control of the representatives of the people for a full 98 days during a critical period.

They also noted that she will have a further lengthy period without the National State Assembly beginning with the dissolution and ending with the general elections.

(Under the constitution parliament will be automatically dissolved on May 22 and elections will have to be held within four months.)

"The prime minister has also thus freed herself" the opposition leader said, "for further

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WALL STREET REPORT

Prices rose for the third straight session in fairly active trading Wednesday on the New York stock exchange where the industrial average gained about 4 points. However, the market had gained as much as 10 points during the afternoon and settled for a moderate advance after a sharp last hour decline.

Investors had been initially encouraged by the announcement of a dividend increase made by American Telephone and Tele-graph. which is by far the nation's most widely held stock.

However, an announcement during the afternoon of a sbarp 27 per cent decline for housing starts in January was appareotly responsible for the sudden drop late in the session.

Gainers led losers at the bell by a 880 to 563 margin as most groups of shares closed on a steady tone.

At the close the industrial average shows at 948.31, a gain of 3 99 moints - Transn at 225,90, a gain of 1.57; utilities at 106.95, a gain of 1.12. 23,430,000 shares changed hands of which 4,610,000 during the last honr.

## LONDON MARKET REPORT

The market firmed Wednesday, belped by a technical fall in money market interest rates and the relative firmness in sterling, dealers said. Closing levels were below the day's highs in reaction to news that one of the three railmeo's unions was also against continued pay restraint.

Overall trading was light and at 1500 the F.T. mdex was up 8.3 at 384.4.

Government bonds showed net raises of up to one half point while equity leaders advanced. Gold shares ended narrowly higher. Banks led the advance among equities with Midland and

Lloyds each 12p higher while Barclays and Natwest added 10p apiece. Tube Investments, Thorn, Decca, Guest Keen, Fisons, Glaxo and Unilever gained between 6p and 10p. B.P. finished 2p harder after an irregular trend and Shell firmed 5p.

Albright and Wilson was 2p off its high of 94 despite results above expectations. General Accident gave up a small gain following its estimated U.S. results.

Price of gold closed in London Wednesday at 135.90.

## **ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS**

DRUSSELS, Feb. 16 (R). - The European Commoo Market will D provide Lebanon with 30 million Units of Account (\$33 million) in loans and grants over the next five years, community officials said bere today. Negotiations have been completed on a general trade and ald agreement between the EEC and Lebanon which includes preferential access to the Common Market for Lebanese exports and technical and industrial cooperation, the officials said.

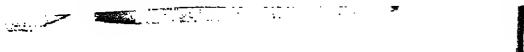
DARIS, Feb. 16 (R). - President Carter has told France he wants an amicable settlement of the dispute over New York landing rights for the Concorde airliner, the French presidential spokesman said today. The assurance came in a long message to President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, which the French plan to publish later today. Presidential Spokesman Jean-Philippe Lecat told reporters that Mr. Carter's "indicated his concern to deal with this problem in a manner which reflects the close friendship between France and the United States."

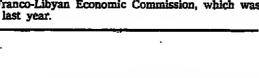
TEHRAN, Feb. 16 (AFP). Inflation is now running at an annual rate of 30 per cent in Iran, according to the official index released by the Central Bank. Coosumer prices and services rose by 2.8 per cent during the Iranian month of Dey (Dec. 22-Jan 20) but tha cost of housing has weighed most heavily on the price index, the Central Bank said. The cost of living has risen by 23 per cent on average over the past three mooths, compared with the October level, according to the bank's figures. During the last Iranian year -- from March 1975 to March 1976 -price increases were brought down to six per cent by means of a price freeze for consumer goods and a reduction of the profit margin of industry.

ADRID, Feb. 16 (AFP). - Spanish gold and foreign currency M reserves have fallen to their lowest level in seven years with a January drop of \$153,900,000 to \$4,798,200,000. At one point in 1973 reserves totalled \$6,717,300,000. In the past 13 mooths the loss has been \$1,107,200,000. Large scale oil purchaces at the new rates set by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) were believed to be a major factor in January.

VUWAIT, Feb. 16 (R). - The Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic A and Social Development last night concluded two agreements to finance projects in Egypt and the Cameroun, with the loans totalling about 12 million dinars (£24 million).

DARIS, Feb. 16 (R). - Libyan Industry Minister Jadallah Azzouz Al Talhi and French External Trade Minister Andre Rossi yesterday agreed to step up economic cooperation between their countries. The two ministers conferred during a meeting of the Franco-Libyan Economic Commission, which was set up in March last year.





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WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 (R). - President Carter yesterday